### CURRENT COMMENT.

There are 141 theological schools in the United States, 52 law schools, 92 regular medical schools, 6 eclectic medical schools and 14 homeopathic.

Since the first of the year the metal mining industries of the United States have distributed over \$13,000,-000 in dividends. These profits equal half the gold output in this country last year.

There is every probability that early next year the site of the Australian federal capital will be decided and plans for laying it out invited. The idea is that it should be one of the finest cities of its kind in the world, enjoying a salubrious climate.

The suite of the exar of Russia consists of 173 persons, of whom 15 are members of the imperial family, 17 are princes who are not of imperial birth, 17 are counts, 9 are barons, and the remaining 15 are men of noble birth of the lower rank.

The custom of keeping horse shoes for luck is said to have originated at the time when in every home was the picture of a patron saint. About the head of the saint was the distinguishing balo, which was frequently made of metal, sometimes the shape of a horse shoe.

At the birth of a Japanese baby a tree is planted, which must remain untouched until the marriage day of the child. When the nuptial hour arrives the tree is cut down, and a akillful cabinet maker transforms the wood into furniture, which is considered by the young people as the most beautiful of all ornaments in the house.

When a marriage takes place in China the wedding party enters the temple and lights a quantity of fireworks, including a number of firecrackers. This is supposed to wake the "Great Joss" from his sleep. The priest repeats the service at express speed, the bride and groom take two little glasses of wine, and are then declared man and wife.

Our national motto, "E Pluribus Unum," was suggested to John Adams by an Englishman, Sir John Prestwick. Adams communicated the idea to the secretary of congress, Charles Thompson, who, on June 20, 1782 reported to congress his design for a government seal; in it the Latin legend was to be borne on a ribbon held in the beak of an eagle.

It has been stated that there is not a single representative of the fourth generation of a purely bred London family, and that if it were not for the constant infusion of country blood the population of the great city would be a fair way toward extinction In the London slums it is a fact that the third generation born and bred there lives and dies without any prog-

This congress undoubtedly will declare that the rural free delivery system shall be a permanent institution and extend throughout the country, as the experiments have proved successful. In addition to this, an increased appropriation probably will be provided. Postmaster General Smith will ask congress for about \$2 500 000 for this service and \$17. 140,000 for urban free delivery

One of the Berlin reviews pub lishes a calculation on the number of letters distributed annually through out the world. It gives the total as 12,000,000,00. Of these it says \$,000,-000,000 are in English, 1,200,000,000 in German, 1,000,000,000 in French, 220,-000,000 in Italian, 120,000,000 in Spaninh, 100,000,000 in Dutch, 80,000,000 in Russian and 24,000,000 in Portuguese. The Anglo-Saxon is for the present very well in front

They have a brand new poorho In Butler county, Pa., constructed and furnished at a cost of \$100,000 The overseers of the poor throughout the county have been extending help to some 400 persons, and it was expected that at least one-half that number would be willing to take up their res idence in the palatial new home prepared for them. So far 16 persons only have consented to go there, and efforts to persuade others have failed

In the city of Heidelberg, tarmany, there is a church called the Church of the Holy Ghost, which is unique in its way, being the only church in the world in which the Protestant and Catholic services are held at the same time, a partition wall through the center separating the two congregations. In the year 1719 an atpt was made to deprive the Protestants of their half of the church but the indignant townspeople, irrespective of creed, rebelled, and the elector was obliged to desist

A Texas negro owes his liberty and pursuit of happiness to a sojourn in fail. He was apprehended on a charge of hog stealing and committed to full pending his trial. At the time of his arrest he was a lanky, rawed specimen, but during the period of his incarceration he waxed so fat and improved so much in personal rance that when, at the end of months, the day set for the trial ne around, none of the witnesses were able to swear that he was the non who stole the hogs. The judge

expression, "sub rosa," which literally, "under the rose," had rin in the days of Xerxes, when as, in 447 B,- C, the comler of the Athenian and Spartne s, was engaged in a conspiracy the Persians to betray Greece to obtain the hand of the mondaughter. The negotiations temple of Minerva, the roof h was covered with roses. The were made "upper the cose."

#### THE HOPE OF PORTO RICO.

oper of Education Brum Says the Illiteracy of the People There Must Be Reduced.

Washington, Nov. 15 .- M. G. Brumbaugh, commissioner of education for Porto Rico, says the school system now in operation there includes 800 teachers and 38,000 pupils. This is only a beginning, as there are 300,000 children of school age without school facilities, most of whom would enroll if they could. Commissioner Brum baugh says the hope of the island is in the public schools and that the great illiteracy in Porto Rico must be reduced. The schools are not to be compared with American systems, but their transformation must be gradual.

Thousands of children in the island, says the report, are half-clothed, halffed and half-housed. At least 80 per cent, of all the people are illiterate and the crying need is schools to reduce the appalling illiteracy. There are no public school buildings and no public colleges or universities.

## TO JOIN THE DEMOCRACY.

Charles A. Towne Will I-sue an Address Urging Free Silver Republicans to Surrender Their Name.

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 15 .- Charles A. Towne, chairman of the silver republican national committee, and other members of the committee have been in conference here over the par ty's future. It is understood that they will issue an address in which they will express the belief that the time has come for the giving up of the party organization and the merging of its members into the democ racy. All silver and Lincoln republicans will be urged to become democrati in good standing.

### NEW HAVEN FOR BOERS.

In German Southwest Africa Holland Wil ghers, 15,000 in Number.

London, Nov. 15,-Holland has ex pressed a willingness to purchase or behalf of Mr. Kruger for the extled Boers a portion of German southwest Africa. The German government has officially informed the colonial council that it will gladly grant permission to 15,000 Transvaal Boers to trek through the Kalasari desert to territory in southwest Africa.

Praying for a Male Heir. St. Petersburg, Nov. 15.-Specia prayers are to be offered for a period of nine days in the church of St. Leonard, near Limoges, on behalf of the ezarina, who earnestly desires a son and heir. The church is daily vis ited by large numbers of young mar ried women, who pray to St. Leon ard that she may be blessed with a male offspring. The exarina bas three girls.

Read from a Historic B b'e. Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 15 .- The seventh annual convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy was called to order Wednesday by Mrs Edwin G. Weed, general president. The Bible from which the Scripture lesson was read was the same upon which Jefferson Davis took the oath of office as president of the confederate states.

Nebra ka Republicans Get All. Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 15 .- For the first time since the election the fusionists admit the election of the entire re publican ticket. Deitrich's plurality for governor is 700. After January 1 for the first time in six years, every branch of the state government, with the exception of the supreme court, will be in the hands of the republicans.

Will ! way the World. Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 15,-Col. Ulick de Burgh, of the British army, is here buying horses for the queen's army. Col. de Burgh paid a great tribute to America vesterday. He said that this country is the center of the universe and predicted that in a century the United States would have un disputed sway over the world.

Heavy Dra n on Britain's Figurees. London, Nov. 15 .- Financial experts agree that the supplemental grants to be applied for next month will run up the cost of the South African campaign to \$500,000,000, and that there are strong probabilities if hostilities are prolonged until spring that the aggregate will exceed \$550,000,000.

Marens Daly's Great Fortune. New York, Nov. 15 .- Some who best knew Marcus Doly say that his will bequeaths his immense fortune to his wife, to be held in trust for their four children. This fortune, it is estimated, is not less than \$40,000,000. Daly's body will be taken to Anaconda, Mont., for burial.

One Lone Populat Legislator. Dullas, Tex., Nov. 15 .- Returns from every legislative district in Texas show that, with the exception of Representative Calhoun, of Nacogdoches county, a populist, the next legisla ture will be solidly democratic. The senate and house combined will be democratic at the ratio of 158 to 1.

For the Cable Dawer Cut

Washington, Nov. 15 .- The president will submit to congress at the approaching session the claims of indem nification and for other substantial recompense of the British cable corpo ration which suffered as a result of the American occupation of the Philip-

Fire Dectroys Virginia College. Ronnoke, Va., Nov. 15 .- Fire totally destroyed Virginia college. The young lady students saved practically noth ing of their effects. No lives were

Population of Ohlo and Georgia Washington, Nov. 15,-The popula tion of Ohio is 4;157,545, as against 3,672,316 in 1890. This is an increase of 13.2 per cent. The population of Georgia is 2,216,531, as against 1,837,-353 in 1890. This is an increase of 20.6 per cent.

Pleaded Guitr to Pive Murders Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 15 .- John Morrison was placed on trial yester day at Moosemin for the murder of five members of the McArthur few day at Mo five memb

## SUICIDES IN THE ARMY.

cent Statistics Show They Were Rein tively Fewer in 1898-99 Than During the Ten Years Previous.

Washington, Nov. 15 .- Surgeon General Sternberg has prepared statistics making a comparison of cases of suicides and homicides which occurred in the army in 1898 and 1899, compared with the ten years between 1888 and 1897. It shows that there were relatively fewer homicides during those two years than during the previous decade. The average number of suicides per year in an army of 27,116 for ten years was 17. The ratio per thousand was .63 per cent. The strength of the army in 1898 is given at 147,795, the average number of suicides 38, and the percentage per thousand 26. The strength of the army in 1899 is given at 105,546 and the number of suicides at 30; ratio per thousand .28 per cent. During the ten years from 1888 to 1897 the homicides are given at 5.5 per cent, and the ratio per thousand at ,20 per cent. For 1898 the number of homicides at 19, and the ratio per thousand at .13 per cents; for 1999 the number of homicides at 23 and the ratio per thousand at .22 per cent.

### IT CLOUDS SECURITIES.

The New Mortgage Tax Amendmen Adopted by Missouri Voters Means Death to Loan- for a Time.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 15 .- The Journal says: Never in all the history of Missouri has the state been placed in such a position as it is now, because of the acceptance by the voters of what is known as "the third amendment," at the polls last week. Its credit is damaged: loan companies are leaving the state, and banks cannot lend money on real estate, nor can brokers operate. A cloud has been cast upon every form of security in the state which is secured by mortgage, deed of trust or similar lien, even including tax bills; public and private work is tied up; the rates for interest have risen as far as the law will permit-in some instances having doubled—and capital is absolutely pro hibited from investing.

## OPPOSE ADULTERATION.

Ransas Millers, In Convention at Wichita Take Steps to Prevent Fraud-Will Not Raise the Price.

Wichita, Kap., Nov. 15.-About 150 millers from all over the state are in attendance at the Kansas Millers' convention, which is in session here. The most important question that came up for discussion yesterday was the proposed raise in flour. The use of adulterants is also being dealt with, and measures will be taken to introduce legislation that will call for a heavy fine to be imposed upon all millers adulterating their flour. After long deliberation the association last night decided not to change price of flour but to leave it at its present rate of \$1.80 per 100 pounds for standard flour.

# WILL RETURN TO PERIN.

Imperial Edict Announces That the Em peror and Downger Empress Are to Res de at the Capi at.

Tien Tsin, Nov. 15 .- It is reported that an imperial edict has been issued announcing that Emperor Su and the empress downger will return to l'ekin. A Russian column of 330 men with four guns which left here November 4 returned November 9, having engaged the Chinese. At Hsia Tsang the Russians fought 2,000 Chinese troops, dispersing them and killing 200. The Russians had no casualties. The population of the city of Tien Tsing now reaches 600,000. The Chinese and the allies are strengthen ing the garrison against a possible surprise. It is supposed that one-

third of the inhabitants are "boxers. Will Ask for \$121,000,000

Washington, Nov. 15 .- Postmaster General Emory Smith has framed his estimates to be submitted to congress and will ask an aggregate of about \$121,000,000 as the appropriation for the entire service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902. This includes an estimate of \$3,500,000 for the rural free delivery service.

Delaware's Official Vore. Washington, Nov. 15 .- The complete official vote of Delaware for president

is McKinley, 22,457; Bryan, 18,856. McKinley's plurality, 3,601. Four years ago the plurality for McKinley wns 3,716. Root and Wood Touring Cubs. Havana, Nov. 15 .- Secretary Root and Gen. Wood and their party left

Clara, by special train Wednesday. There the Viking will be boarded for a trip along the coast. Ger. Boths Offers to Furreeder. London, Nov. 15 .- Commandant General Botha, according to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Pretoria, has sent to Lord Roberts a statement of the terms on which he

will surrender. Three Will Lose Congres Washington, Nov. 15 .-- If the next ongressional apportionment is on the basis of one representative to every 200,000 of population, as now seems probable, Maine, Virginia, Kansas and Nebraska will each lose a representa-

tive in the lower branch of congress.

Junt Statehovi Couverties. Oklahoma, City, Ok., Nov. 15 .- A call for a joint statehood convention, composed of 600 delegates from Oklahoma and Indian territories, has been arranged. The convention will meet in South McAlester, December 10.

The Earthquake at I graces Washington, Nov. 15 .- Mr. Russell, United States charge at Caracas, reports that the earthquake in Colombia last month was much more severe than at first described. The people deserted their houses and slept in the streets and between 12,000 and 15,600 unlidings were destroyed or damaged.

The Montpoky Ordered to Naple Algiers, Nov. 15 .- The United States ttleship Kentucky, Capt. Colby M. senter communiting, will leave this en Thursday for Haples, where she

# LIFE-SAVING SERVICE.

Help Rendered to 364 Vessels, on Board of Which Were 2,655 Persons, of Whom 48 Wore Last

Washington, Nov. 14 .- S. I. Kimball, general superintendent of the lifesaving service, in his annual report to Secretary Gage, says that at the close of the fiscal year the establishment embraced 200 stations, 194 being on the Atlantic, 58 on the lakes, 16 on the Pacific and one at the falls of the Ohio, at Louisville, Ky. The number of disasters to documented vessels within the field of operations of the service during the year was 364. There were on board those vessels 2,655 persons, of whom 2,607 were saved and 48 lost. Six hundred and 73 shipwrecked persons received succor at the stations, to whom 1,447 days' relief in the aggregate was afforded. The estimated value of the vessels involved in disaster was \$6,127,-500, and of their cargoes \$3,342,690, making a total value of property imperiled \$9,470,190. Of this amount \$7,-234,690 was saved and \$2,235,500 lost. The number of vessels totally lost was 61.

In addition to the foregoing there were during the year 329 casualties to small craft, such as small yachts, sail boats, row boats, etc., on board of which were 781 persons, of whom five were lost. The property involved in these instances is estimated at \$267,070, of which \$256,770 was saved and \$10,300 lost.

### DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Large Increase of Undelivered Matt Ove Last Year-Many Letters Contained Cash and Valuable Papers.

Washington, Nov. 14.-The annual report of the superintendent of the dead letter office shows the large increase of total receipts of undelivered mail matter over the previous year of nearly ten per cent. The number of pieces of matter received from all sources was 7,536,158, against 6,855,-983 for the preceding year. Letters and parcels held for postage num-bered 144,619, and the misdirected 422,793. Nearly 35,000 letters were received which bore no addresses whatever. The letters addressed to the guests of hotels and undelivered numbered 269,624. The total number of unclaimed parcels of all descriptions was 180,914. There were 660,461 pieces of mail matter addressed to foreign countries and returned from there as undeliverable. The number of letters and parcels opened was 6,676,003, an increase over the preceding year of 91/2 per cent. There were 50,553 letters containing an aggregate of \$44,140 and letters containing drafts, notes, money orders, etc., of the face value of \$1,136,645. Foreign letters and parcels found undeliverable and returned to countries of origin numbered 606,412.

#### FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY. It Considers the Appropriations

Academies for White People-A Talk

on the Disfranchisement Acts.

New York, Nov. 14.-The Freed-

men's Aid and Southern society met at Newark, N. J., yesterday with Bishop Edward G. Andrews presiding. There was a long discussion preceding the consideration of appropriations or the academies for white It was explained that the field of the academies was among the poor whites and they were doing fine work both in instruction provided by the schools themselves and as feeders for the Fort Worth and United States Grant universities.

Bishop Mallalieu, in talking on the subject, spoke of the effect on the aims of the society of the disfranchisement acts of the south. He said: "I hope to see the day when the flag shall protect all Americans on American soil." This started a debate on disfranchisement, the speakers connecting it with the question under consideration by the idea that the work among the whites in the states which had passed "disfranchisement" taws should be increased rather than

# RUSSELL HARRISON OUT.

ion of the Ex-President Gets Honorab Discharge from the Army, His Services Being No Longer Needed.

Washington, Nov. 14.-Lieut. Col. Russell B. Harrison, inspector general, United States volunteers, has been honorably discharged from the service of the United States, to take effect December 1, his services being no longer required. Col. Harrison is a son of ex-President Harrison and has served in the volunteer establishment since the outbreak of the Spanish war.

Jesse James' Widow Dead. Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 14.-Mrs. here for Cienfuegos, province of Santa Zerelda James, wife of Jesse James, the outlaw, died at her home in this city yesterday morning after an illness of ten months. In January of this year Mrs. James was attacked with the grip. Complications developed and she had been confined to her bed almost continuously since she first became ill. Her body will be buried at Kearney, Clay county, where Jesse James is buried.

Bir S ump in Linsond Oil Stocke Chicago, Nov. 14.-American linseed oll issues were the center of panicy activity on the stock exchange here Tuesday, slumping six points on the liquidation of 7,000 shares of preferred the first 15 minutes. The close was 40, the lowest price it has ever been sold.

A Powder Bouse Blown Up. San Francisco, Nov. 14.-The gelatine mixing house of the Giant Powder company at Sobrante, 15 miles from here, was blown up yesterday. John C. Hoffelmeyer, foreman, and two Chinese were killed.

Noted Pilibasterer Done Philadelphia, Nov. 14.—Capt. John D. Hubbard Caswell, a pioneer of 1848, who was prominently identified with the early history of the state and the Hart, of Cuban fillbustering fame, died Tuesday of apoplexy. During the year 1896 two of Capt. Hart's vessels, most exalted mason in point of rank in the world, died at his residence in the Bermuda and the Laurada, made frequent trips to Cubs with arms and this city yesterday. mmunition for the Cubans.

Land for the Extled Boers don, Nov. 14.-Holland has ex pressed a willingness, says the Berlin correspondent of the Daily Express, to purchase on behalf of Mr. Evener

## PHILIPPINE POSTAL AFFAIRS.

General Vaille Says Natives D Little Letter-Writing and Are Slow

Washington, Nov. 14 .- F. W. Vaille director general of posts of the Philippine islands, in his annual report to the postmaster general shows a surplus of \$19,628 to the credit of the Philippine postal service. The revenue to June 30 last was \$117,848 and the expenditures \$98,220, making both years of the department's existence show a surplus. Decided progress has been made in opening post offices. It has been the endeavor to have an officer in charge as clerk wherever the number of troops made it impracticable for the army mail orderlies to do the work. Mr. Vaille says the correspondence between the natives on the islands is "as near nil as that of ranchers and plainsmen at our army posts in the states." There are now 21 post offices under the charge of Americans, of which 11 are money order offices. Thirty-seven other offices are in charge of army officials for the sale of stamps and the handling of registered matter. The Filipinos have made little

progress in acquiring a knowledge of English. Railway postal service has been maintained on the only railway ine in the Philippines. The report urges new post office quarters in Maila. Following our occupation of Manila all prices have increased and rents have been raised everywhere. The letter-carrier service at Manila is reported as an eyesore and an abomination but it is stated must continue until there can be secured a sufficient number of English-reading Filipinos added to which difficulty is notorious dishonesty of the native servants. During the year 37,734 money orders were issued for \$1,526,310, against less than \$500,000 last year. The report says the time is not ripe yet for civil service examinations for appointment to this service. It is predicted that with the withdrawal of American troops and the consequent turning over of the telegraph to the civil government the telegraph operators will have to act as postmasters in all but the largest towns.

### WANTS ALL TO REMAIN.

At a Cab not Meeting Tuesday Presiden McKinley Expressed the Wish That His Official Family Remain Unbroken.

Washington, Nov. 14 .- At the meet ing of the cabinet Tuesday President McKinley, discussing the recent elections and their results, expressed the hope that every mmber of the cabinet yould remain in his official family during the next four years. He regarded the results of the elections as an indorsement not only of his own ideas and policies, but also of the administration of every department of the government.

At the cabinet meeting each of the members furnished a forecast of his annual report, but none of the reports was in shape for formal presentation. It was practically decided that the recommendation in the message on the subject of war revenue taxes will advocate a small reduction, scaling down the total revenue about \$15,000,000. Just where this decrease will be made has not been determined.

Oklahoma Returns Guthrie, Ok., Nov. 14.-Complete returns from the Third senatorial dis trict show that J. J. Schaeffer, republican, is elected instead of Freeman Miller, democrat. This complicates matters still further in the legialature, giving the republicans and fu sionists 12 members each with E. Duf fy, populist, from Cleveland county, holding the balance of power.

The Center of Papulatio . Columbus, Ind., Nov. 14 .- The cen sus bureau has announced that the center of population of the United States is Columbus, Ind. Ten year ago it was located at Westport, 19 miles east of here. Citizens of Columbus have been claiming the centership for several years.

The Kentucky Has Pessed Morocco Algiers, Nov. 14.-The United States hattleship Kentucky has arrived here. Her captain reports that the ship be haved splendidly in the heavy weather encountered in the Atlantic, The Ken tucky will leave Thursday after coaling for the China station.

Autional W. C. T. U. Convention Chicago, Nov. 14.-Mrs, L. M. N. Stevens, president, has issued the call for the national convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance union, which will meet at Washington, No vember 30 and continue in session un til December 7.

I surnage Policies Exempt St. Louis, Nov. 14 .- The federal court of appeals, Judge Henry C. Caldwell presiding, has just decided that life insurance policies are exempt from bankruptcy proceedings. Burnett 200,000 Bu hele of Wheat

Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 14 .- Fire Tuesday destroyed the Wichita Falls mill and elevator. Over 200,000 bush els of wheat were burned with the building. Loss, \$140,000.

A Success in Point of Attendar Paris, Nov. 14.—Official statistics show that the Paris exposition was a gigantic success from the point of at-tendance, which was double that of the exposition of 1889. When the gates of the exposition of 1900 closed last night more than 50,000,000 persons had passed through.

Iwo Children Burned to Den'b.

Winter Haven, Ela., Nov. 14 .- Two

children of Mrs. Myra Gaines, who were locked in the house by their mother, were burned to death here The Most Exalted Mason De San Francisco, Nov. 14.-The

lova's New Normal School Building. Cedar Falls, Ia., Nov. 14 .- The con ristone of the new state norma filding here was laid Tuesday in the

## KENTUCKY IS DEMOCRATIC.

Bryan's Flurality in the State Will Be Ove 7,000 and Beckham's 4,000 Bepub-Heans May Contes

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 11.-With unofficial returns from every precinct in Kentucky the Courier-Journal puts Bryan's majority at 7,635 and Beckham's 4,110. There is no doubt that the full official returns will vary somewhat from the unofficial figures. It is hardly possible that the majorities of 7.635 and 4.110 shall be wiped out, however, unless the unexpected happens in the counties where the official returns are not in. It is currently reported that republican managers are in communication with federal officials with a view to having an investigation of the election in the state as far as electors and congressmen are concerned. It is stated that this would indirectly have some effect on the claims for governor.

### REPUBLICANS GET ALL.

McKinley's Plurality in Nebraska Will Be in Excess of 8,000—Dietrich Elected Governor by Small Plurality.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 11.-President McKinley will go out of Nebraska with a plurality slightly in excess of 8,000, and a majority over all of nearly 2,000, a republican gain over four years of 21,000. Complete returns from 85 of the 90 counties in the state give Mc-Kinley 120,647; Bryan, 111,557. The remaining five counties, based on the vote of four years ago, make the total for McKinley 122,832; Bryan, 114,162. McKinley's plurality, 8,470. Returns from the 84 counties show Dietrich (rep.) for governor to be 1,621 ahead of Poynter, fusion. The remaining counties will cut Dietrich's lead down about 400. Dietrich is the lowest man on the ticket, so that the entire republican state ticket is elected.

# UNTIL FOUR YEARS HENCE.

cage and New York Closed-Speakers Furnished for 15.000 Meetings.

Chicago, Nov. 11 .- With the excep tion of Henry C. Hedges' department in New York, republican headquarters were permanently closed last night. The speakers' bureau, over which Mr. Hedges presided, will not be closed for at least a month. That much time will be required to make settlements with the speakers, the transportation companies, and the various state committees. It is estimated that the bureau furnished speakers for no less than 15,000 meetings. This would be an average of 30 speeches for each man.

### COMMITMENTS INVALID.

ecision of the Nebraska Supreme Cour May Release All Reform School Inmates in That State.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 11,-The Nebraska supreme court has decided that the commitment by court of incorrigible youths or girls to the reform school without trial by judge is contrary to the constitution and therefore invalid. The general practice has been to have county judges pass sentence. The effect of the decision will be to discharge from custody at the reform schools in the state 200 or 300 incorri-

# TYPHOON AT HONG KONG.

It Raged All Night and Great Damag and Loss of Life Occured Among the Native Craft.

Hong Kong, Nov. 11 .- A typhoc struck the town last evening and raged until morning. A British river gunboat was sunk, but her crew is reported to be safe. Great damage and loss of life occurred among the native craft but it is impossible as yet to ascertain the full extent.

May Overth-ow Colombia. Gunyaquil, Nov. 11.-Reports re ceived here by steamer from Panama indicate that the liberal rebellion in Colombia will result in the overthrow of the government. Important military operations have been carried out during the last month and the government has met with severe losses

For Failure to Bulletin Trairs. Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 11.-The state of Indiana has entered suit in the supreme court against the Big Four Railway company for \$227,700 for violations of the state law requiring railway companies to post bulletins announcing the arrival and departure of trains.

S.III Hopes for the Boers. Marseilles, Nov. 11.-Mrs. Floff h arrived here to await the arrival of Mr. Kruger, her grandfather. In the course of an interview she said: "The difficulties surrounding Great Britain are so great that the Boers are convinced they will finally gain the upper hand."

Large Female Vote in Wyom'ng. Cheyenne, Wyo., Nov. 11.-The women of Wyoming exercised their right of suffrage to a greater extent in the recent election than ever before, and it is estimated that they cast at least 7,000 of 23,000 votes polled on November 6.

Texas Electrical Workers Strike

Houston, Tex., Nov. 12 .- A Notle was given out at Dallas late last night saying all electrical workers in Dallas will strike this morning. It was also said that all the linemen of the Southwestern Telephone com pany are going to strike to-day in sympathy with the strike of telephone ators in the southern cities of the state. The strike is now at Houston, San Antonio, Galveston and Waco and grows out of grievances of the operators at San Antonio and

The Execution of Chicago Assrchists. Chicago, Nov. 12.-Herr Most, with his fierceness subdued to gentleness, was the orator here last night of the thirteenth anniversary of the anarchists Parsons, Spies, Fischer and Engel. The meeting was held in Central Music hall. The place was free of uniformed policemen, but two city detectives stood on the edge of the crowd in the lobby. Lucy Par-nons was conspicuous by her absence and a big United States flag was dis-played with the red flags used in the



**Beware of Them** 

There are two afflictions which perhaps give the most pain and trouble, viz:

Sciatica Lumbago

Both disable and cripple,

St. Jacobs Oil

is their best cure.

### PROMISED TO OBEY HER.

How a Sharp Minister Got the Better of a Smart Bride-

groom.

The groom entered alone and said confidentially:

"Do you use the word 'obey' in your marriage service, Mr. —?"

"No," said the minister, relates the Woman's Journal, "I do not usually."

"Well," said the expectant benedict, "I have come to ask you to marry me now, and I want it used."

"Certainly," replied the other, "it shall be done," and presently the couple stood solemnly before him.

"James T—," said the clergyman, "do you take this woman to be your wedded wife?"

"I do."

"Do you solemnly promise to love, honor

"I do."

"Do you solemnly promise to love, honor and obey her so long as you both shall live?"

Horror and rebellion struggled with the sanctities of the occasion on the bridegroom's face, but he chokingly responded "I do," and the meek bride decorously promised in her turn.

After the ceremony was over the bridegroom said excitedly aside to the grave minister:

"You misunderstood me, eir, you misunderstood me! I referred to the woman's promising to obey."

understood me! I referred to the woman's promising to obey."

"Ah, did you, indeed?" serenely answered his reverence. "But I think what is good for one side is good for the other, don't you? And, my friend, it is my advice to you to say nothing more about it, for as an old married man I can tell you you'll have to obey anyhow."

CHEAPER THAN A FUNERAL. He Concluded to Pay the Doctor's

Bill as an Economical

Move. A well-known North Dakots magistrate talls the following story, for the truth of which he vouches: At a small town in the which he vouches: At a small town in the state there were two doctors, one of whom had a great reputation for the cures he effected, and the other was not believed to be "much good." The favored doctor found his services in great request, but as payment was not always forthcoming he made a rule that a certain class of his patients should pay in advance.

One winter's night he was roused by two farmers from a hamlet ten miles away, the

farmers from a hamlet ten miles away, the wife of one of whom was seriously ill. He told them to go to the other doctor, but they refused, saying they would prefer his services. "Very well," replied the medico, "in that case my fee is ten dollars, the money to be paid now." to be paid now."

The men remonstrated, but the doctor was obdurate, and shut down his window. He

waited, however, to hear what they would say. "Well, what will we do now?" asked the farmer whose wife was ill. And the reply that was given must have been as gratifying as it was amusing to the listening doctor. tor. It was:
"I think you would better give it. The funeral would cost you more."

No Place Like Hoz An Atchison man took sick Saturday and decided to stay home till he got rested. He was back at work Monday. His wife had asked him within a few hours to take care of the baby, to chop onions for pickles, to grind the coffee, to dress the children, and to milk the cow "while he was resting."—Atchison Globe.

Her Biscuits.—"These aren't the kind of biscuits my mother used to bake," he said. "Oh, George," she faltered on the verge of tears. "Well, they're not!" he repeated emphatically. "They're enough sight better." And then the sun came out again.—Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

# WOMEN MUST SLEEP.

Avoid Nervous Prostration

If you are dangerously sick what is the first duty of your physician? He quiets the nervous system, he deadens the pain, and you sleep well.

Friends ask, "what is the cause?" and the answer comes in pitying tones, nervous prostration. It came upon you so quietly in the beginning, that you were not alarmed, and when sleep deserted you night after night until your eyes fairly burned in the darkness, then you tossed in nervous agony praying for sleep.



You ought to have known that when you cessed to be regular in you courses, and you graw irritable with mit cause, that there was serious

trouble somewhere.
You ought to know that in exhaustion, womb displacements of the company of th tainting, dizziness, headache, backache send the nerves wild afright, and you cannot sleep. Mrs. Hartley, of 231 W. Congres Chicago, Ill., whose portrait we lish, suffered all these agoniss

suffered all these age i entirely oured by Lydie a's Vegetable Compound ald be a warning to of ourse carry conviction to r cure carry con